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## REPLY AND AMENDMENTS PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated December 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: